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THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 1898.

Notes of the Day.

This time it is the expected which has happened. The Spanish mob was in possession of Havana last night, and the lives of Americans in the city were in great peril. The trouble was precipitated by Gen. Blanco's refusal to suppress the liberal newspapers at the demand of the Spanish residents and volunteers. There, re-enforced by hundreds of Spanish army officers attacked the offices of all journals favorable to autonomy, and wrecked them, not even sparing the venerable old Diario de Marina. Inasmuch as the Spanish papers for a day or two had been carefully working up the mob to some overt act against Americans, there was every reason to fear an attack upon our consulate, and the murder of any of our citizens, who could be found. In a case like the present, recent comment is impossible, since events of the sort have the ability to move faster than pencils can.

One thing is certain, Mr. McKinley will be the beneficiary of his last excuse for withholding this Government from positive action. The impotence of Spanish rule in Havana is a clear demonstration. Otherwise, the captain general, with an army in garrison, and surrounded by fortifications, would not permit an armed mob to take possession of the city. If Mr. McKinley were deaf, dumb, and dead it ought to be plain to him by this time that there must be a change in the heartless and cowardly policy of the past. All doubt that the Spaniards have not lost Cuba completely and forever, must now be dispelled, and it would be infamous longer to withhold from the Cubans the rights of belligerency. They should be given them at once, in order that they may go on and finish the war, and put an end to all these sickening Spanish horrors.

This movement of the discontented Spaniards in Cuba may or may not have any connection with the revolution which is approaching in Spain and may break out at any minute. Don Carlos and his friends suddenly have become very active, and Carlists generally are reported as declaring their intention to rise against the government and the Alfonso dynasty within a short time. The latest accounts from the provinces where the Carlist cause is strongest, indicate that the revolt is ready to break out, and it is more than possible that it will be hastened by the news from Cuba, where it is known that the Spanish army is homebound with Carlinism. Indeed Don Carlos has been conspiring industriously to have a declaration in his favor in Havana at the same time he should raise his banner at home. That time may have come. He intended to have it so on the fall of Sagunto. The government of that state has been neither popular nor successful, and the mob in Havana may have wrecked it along with other autonomist projects.

Although a foregone conclusion, the formal election of Marcus A. Hanna to the Senate yesterday was a matter of unusual and national interest. Now that the fight is over, and won by the characteristic and peculiar methods and tactics of the winner, it may be confessed that any other result would have been depressing to the leaders of Democracy throughout the country. As it is, the American people will be able to see more clearly than ever before that the Republican party is hopelessly committed to political corruption, and always may be trusted to stand by it. At one time there almost appeared to be a chance that a Republican revolt in Ohio, in the interests of decency and good government, might succeed. Such an outcome might have created some popular opinion that good could exist somewhere within the organization. Thank goodness, nothing of the kind has happened. We are to have our object lesson and horrible example just as usual and continuously for many years. There will be more diamonds worn in Columbus than ever before, and gold watches, heavy chains and fur-lined topcoats will be too common to mention. Then let us be joyful. Marcus has made his friends happy, and if his supporters are not so there are just so many Ingrates. By the way, for the benefit of our friend, Senator Stewart, we desire to call attention to the significant number of votes cast for Mr. Hanna. The coincidence makes his election another "crime of '73."

SENATORS IN CROKER'S CLUB.

Murphy, Jones, Faulkner and Smith Have Been Taken In.

New York, Jan. 13.—The World this morning says that Senator Edward Murphy was elected a member of the Democratic Club at a meeting of the board of governors, held last Tuesday night. Last night three among the thirty-five names proposed for membership had after them the name of Senator Murphy as sponsor. They are: James K. Jones, United States Senator, Arkansas; Charles James Faulkner, United States Senator, West Virginia; James Smith, Jr., United States Senator, New Jersey.

Senator Jones is chairman of the Democratic National Committee. Senator Faulkner is the chairman of the Democratic National Congressional Committee.

Upward of a week ago, Congressman William Sulzer put up the name of J. Bryan for non-resident membership. Mr. Croker called Mr. Sulzer to one side and asked him if Mr. Bryan had asked to have his name put up.

"He has not," said Mr. Sulzer, "but he will not object."

"Well," Mr. Croker is reported as having said, "unless he authorizes it himself I guess you hadn't better propose him."

In the club this was taken as being a pronouncement on Mr. Croker's part that the Democratic Club does not propose to stand for Mr. Bryan or free silver at present. Last night it was said that Senator Jones had been won away from Bryan and that Senator Faulkner, who is a gold man, as is Senator Smith, while he proposes to resign from the chairmanship, will not stand for a 16 to 1 platform again.

"I don't see David B. Hill's name here," remarked a gentleman to Richard Croker last night, as they strolled through the corridors.

"No, I guess he doesn't court a New York Club," replied Mr. Croker, without even a wink.

Mr. Hill was not exactly persona grata at the Democratic Club. He left for Albany at 10 o'clock last night after an hurried trip of twenty-four hours to New York, because he would need all the time he could get to get back to the State. They also said that Mr. Croker had better confine himself to getting close up to his own people in Greater New York, because he would need all the votes he could get if he had any intention of capturing the next State convention from Mr. Hill.

No Tammany man visited Mr. Hill, and no big Democrat, except Chairman Friedman of the former party, who said that they had never seen him in better humor, and from what he said they did not believe that he had ever been in so low a state before.

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The clerks in the dead letter office are now engaged in sorting the contents of this mud-covered sack. Up to date they have made out the following list of letters: 1, 10; 2, 10; 3, 10; 4, 10; 5, 10; 6, 10; 7, 10; 8, 10; 9, 10; 10, 10; 11, 10; 12, 10; 13, 10; 14, 10; 15, 10; 16, 10; 17, 10; 18, 10; 19, 10; 20, 10; 21, 10; 22, 10; 23, 10; 24, 10; 25, 10; 26, 10; 27, 10; 28, 10; 29, 10; 30, 10; 31, 10; 32, 10; 33, 10; 34, 10; 35, 10; 36, 10; 37, 10; 38, 10; 39, 10; 40, 10; 41, 10; 42, 10; 43, 10; 44, 10; 45, 10; 46, 10; 47, 10; 48, 10; 49, 10; 50, 10; 51, 10; 52, 10; 53, 10; 54, 10; 55, 10; 56, 10; 57, 10; 58, 10; 59, 10; 60, 10; 61, 10; 62, 10; 63, 10; 64, 10; 65, 10; 66, 10; 67, 10; 68, 10; 69, 10; 70, 10; 71, 10; 72, 10; 73, 10; 74, 10; 75, 10; 76, 10; 77, 10; 78, 10; 79, 10; 80, 10; 81, 10; 82, 10; 83, 10; 84, 10; 85, 10; 86, 10; 87, 10; 88, 10; 89, 10; 90, 10; 91, 10; 92, 10; 93, 10; 94, 10; 95, 10; 96, 10; 97, 10; 98, 10; 99, 10; 100, 10; 101, 10; 102, 10; 103, 10; 104, 10; 105, 10; 106, 10; 107, 10; 108, 10; 109, 10; 110, 10; 111, 10; 112, 10; 113, 10; 114, 10; 115, 10; 116, 10; 117, 10; 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